

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A fabric for welding comprising a fabric having at least one welding portion, said at least one welding portion comprising a portion of the fabric which includes a material which melts under hot pressing conditions to weld the fabric to a substrate.

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2. A fabric for welding according to claim 1, wherein said welding portion extends across the entire width of the fabric.

3. A fabric for welding according to claim 1, wherein said at least one welding portion extends across part of the width of the fabric.

4. A welding fabric according to claim 1, wherein said welding portion comprises a warp coated with a thermoplastic material.

5. A welding fabric according to claim 1, wherein said welding portion comprises a warp made of fibers coated with a thermoplastic material.

6. A fabric for welding according to claim 1, wherein said fabric also includes at least one fixing portion.

7. A fabric for welding according to claim 6, wherein said at least one welding portion is at each end of said fabric.

8. A fabric for welding according to claim 6, wherein said welding portion is in the middle portion of said fabric.

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9. A welding fabric according to claim 6 comprising two fixing portions connected edge-to-edge with each other.

10. A welding fabric according to claim 6 comprising two welding portions and said two welding portions are attached to the fixing portion so that the two welding portions depend from said fixing portion.

11. A welding fabric according to claim 10, wherein said two welding portions are attached to the middle of said fixing portion.

12. A welding fabric according to claim 10, wherein said two welding portions are branched from one edge of said fixing portion.